

Remarks

Claims 4, 16, and 26 are pending in this application and are independent claims. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the application.

Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of Claims 4, 16, and 26.

In response to the Office Action's objection to Claim 4, Applicants respectfully believe the amendments to Claim 4 render the objection moot and request its withdrawal.

On the merits, in response to the Office Action's § 101 rejection, Applicants respectfully believe the cancellation of several claims and the amendments to Claims 4, 16, and 26 render the rejection moot. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the § 101 rejection.

Applicants respectfully believe the cancellation of Claims 1-3, 5-15, 17-25, and 27-33 render the § 103 rejections moot and request their withdrawal.

In view of the remarks above, Applicants believe that each of the rejections has been overcome and the application is in condition for allowance. Should there be any remaining issues that could be readily addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is asked to contact the undersigned.

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